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## Choice Poetry.

### THE LOVER TO HIS DEPARTING LOVED ONE.

BY ELIZA COOK.

There are bustling out-ill, love, and month may build, love,
To weary out to worn thou from sidney's time;
Thou with loved home-pleasure, and one brighter hope
And fondness and beauty will dazzle those eyes.
Then I can promised thine heart, love, but now, my
we part, love,
Take back all the vows thou hast given to me.
They were made in our joy, love, as girl and as boy,
And the moonlight was gilding the old hawthorn tree.

We have grown up together like green moss and heather
Our hearts were entwined ere our footsteps were sure.
But the dreams of our youth, love, too often, forsooth, love,
Are painted in colors that will not endure.
And now thou art going where life will be glowing
With all the entertainment thou longest to see;
And a new Princess may cast from thy throne
Our fairy romance and the old hawthorn tree.

When doubts another whose presence can smother
Our earliest word and our fondest caress,
Then hadst better be breaking thy word then to be-
lieve
An affair to serve where thou couldst not be true.
If I have thee larger, love, if single of regret, love,
Should come with the thought that thy will is not
with me,
Oh! I'd have thee forget, love, that ever we met, love,
With promise and pledge 'neath the old hawthorn
tree.

Think not I would gain thee if beauty fair claim thee,
Think not that I deem thee unchangeably mine;
Should fond indeed love, we were parted, I'd en-
dearly,
And try hope and my claims I will sadly resign.
For my heart, while possessing my earliest blessing,
Would fondly and faithfully, if Affection could see,
That thy young love had vanished, and feelings were
banished,
The gentleness and real touch the old hawthorn
tree.

I say by my smile, love, thou'rt thinking the while, love,
That thou will return with thy spirit the same;
And pardon my saying, love, as heretofore I sang, love,
This
The flowers our earnest thy well-cherished
name.
As I'll not have me more, love, but that I adore, love,
With passion as fervent as poorest can be.
And thou'lt think'll come, love, when thou'lt be
with me,
We'll have orange blooms twined with the old hawthorn
tree.

## Original Novelet.

### EOLINE:

OR,

### MAGNOLIA VALE.

WRITTEN FOR THE SATURDAY EVENING POST,

BY CATHARINE LEE HEYZE,

AUTHOR OF "LINDA," "RENA," Etc.

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CHAPTER VIII.

Horace Cleveland returned from Cuba's sanitarium a wiser, happier man than when the whose last prayer was that she might be buried in her native soil. She had sought health in a foreign clime, and found death among its spicy breezes and tropic flowers. As her son was borne homeward over the tossing billows, with his silent and crucified companion, he communed in secret with his life's first, great sorrow. Never removed a single circumstance of it from himself of the intensity of affection he bore his mother, till the young ever for dying lead. He knew it not himself, for he had never sounded the depths of his own heart. In the pure intellectuality of his existence, he had suffered the sensations of feeling to lie fa, far below the surface. Imaginative fondness, tenderness, a fervor to the eye; but swollen by the waters of sorrow, the pent-up waters rushed welling, flowing as overflowing Nile, on which the Lotus might float, and the Lily gleam. And even now, as he sat, with folded arms, and calm, thoughtful brow, by the side of the tabernacled dead, a stranger might have thought him cold and insensible. It is said there are seasons in running brooks, and in the way-side dispenser, but there is an exception in death, all sadness as it is, that preaches as brook and flower never can. Death and Horace as in the may seem, life, in its fullest, broadest sense, was in this instance born of death. When the strongest earthly ties had been severed in twain, he felt the immortality of the affections, since they survived the shock. He realized the mysterious judgment grew weak, imagination dim; but love survived the wreck. She clung to him, as the wind-sealed to the rock, and he felt he began to Anger with his heavenward tendrils, and to watch, and then to pray. Thus, unconsciously to himself, is secrecy in the sanctuary for the heart's holiest, and the sublimest emotions, when the soul is in the air, which thirsts so for God.

Mr. Carlyle's incendiaries has always seemed to me the living semblance of a pure man adoring a sincere man admiring a man of genius—his verily man only makes a spectacle of mankind, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

had got supper and set the table, she placed the children all in my care, and against my advice, high on the wind, in and deep on the snow to Gilbert, and she never looked back! I was in consternation, and started to carry it to those good neighbors, but Gilbert, I vela, Hugh you, you would tell me not to do it?"

"Indeed, I would not, for you got to do it, Mary! Did you think to put the children's clothes in the sleigh?" "Yes, I did, and their bedding, and I put in the bag of meal, and the bag of potatoes, and the ham, and the pork, and the butter, and the cheese, and the sugar, and the tea, and the coffee, and the bread, and the pies, and the cake! I shall never be able to get them all! I owe to you!"

"Why, Mary, what's the matter with you? Have you lost your senses? Why, you have taken the whole contents of the house, and everything in it, and thrown them into the sleigh! Gilbert will be here in a minute! Run and get the things out! Why, you have taken the very bread out of my mouth! Have you no sense? Have you no feeling for your children? Little ones, I say! what would you do without your brother?"

The last named little chore-holders in the Hugh Dinsmore property, answered with a shout of laughter, and with vociferous demonstrations of affection. And then the whole family set to work to unload all the furniture, and putting up in its face, said—

"Dear Hugh! We'll do our could possibly have supplied your place to us, since we have known you! You have been, indeed, like a brother brother, or an elder one of the family, and you have been the source of all our joy in the hour of trouble, you have delivered us of it! Hugh! our dear boy! only be half as attached to Mary as you have been, and she shall be as good and happy in your economy!"

"Come, come, Kate, a time to cease to be sentimental, and a time when the stupid night and day for a meal, and walked three miles to-day, and have a good appetite for supper, and a strong disposition to be bed! Come! give the babe to his sister, there, and draw your chair up. The children have been enlisted to set up in honor of your arrival, Hugh! They have been at work quickly, and restored her to his arms, pressing her cold hands under his cloak, to his bosom, to warm them, and drawing her towards the fire.

"How where have you been, facing the wind, and plunging through the snow-drifts?"

"I have been on the mountain," said Elsie, tapping her forehead, and giving it to and nod, and throwing her chest upon the arms of another. "I have been on the mountain to see those poor Killers. Their little girl, about twelve, came over here this afternoon to tell me to go to see them. She said mother, and how they were suffering, and so I filled the basket and went down to see them."

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"Yes! true! the starting point! She is sensible that I! The starting point, my boy! And now for a brilliant career! Aim high, Hugh! He who aims at the sun may not bring it down, but his arrow will fly highest! You must be most magnificently true! I have been, Hugh! I am a model—if you please—an exemplary member of my generation, and of society. You must be a model of your family and the world! Oh! I have a great deal good—and other fine things—in store for you!"

"My dear friend! my best friend! all that I am, and have, I owe to you! to your precepts, your example, your kindness, your generosity! I am all I am! I say now! All I can hope to be! I never was a man of a date! I shall never be able to pay the debt I owe to you!"

"Why, Hugh! what's the matter with you? You are talking as if you were about to die! Don't you think that it does not make my heart ache to part with you, and to send you away and alone, and to think that I have not yet provided a mortgage for him; and to see her work herself nearly morning till night, doing all the household of the family, and think that I have not yet got a servant to help her? Don't you think I brought her to all this, dear? I better her will! my good sir!" said Doctor Hardcastle, smiling and nodding.

"Hugh looked pale and wept by his side, and stood close, and drew his arm over her shoulder, caressingly, as she said,

"Nonsense, you have made Elsie completely, divinely happy; I mean, as a mortal woman can be! Now, you must go to the world, Hugh! I am one on its match! As for her privations and toils, it is *I, only I,* who understand, and all that! It was I who disheartened her! I!"

"Hush! hush! I trust in self-accusation! Elsie has had her share of trouble, and I trust to see in its family, now Hugh is gone! And now are the cakes, the darling! and without the shade, dear! Hugh! Elsie! you will not mind me! I am old and cross! Let's open upon her at once as she gets in!"

He kissed Allen's hand, and hastened to meet his wife.

"How she came! cold as the weather was, actually without her cloak—"

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## From Washington.

### CONGRESSIONAL NEWS.

### SENATE.

On the 2d, Mr. Bigler presented a petition against the admission of Kansas, in favor of the people of Pittsburg, in favor of the admission of Kansas.

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# Selected Poetry.

## PLOUGH DEEP!

BY WILLIAM OLAND BOURNE.

Ho! Yeoman! 'tis the time to sow!
Then with your sturdy sinews bend the plough!
Turn up, turn up the fertile soil,
And fast thy fragrant tribute yield!
Toil on the sunshine, toil in the shower!
For where the thunderings utter plays
Below is the grand host of men
The children of the earth we raise!
Plough deep! Plough deep!

Give to thy country and thy God
Tribute by toiling hard on sunny days!
Whether the dew shall come in dill
The lightning flash, or thunder roll,
Turn up, turn up, with patient hand,
The deeper and the better yield!
And rejoice with the grooming wind
Thy hearty voice shall lift and cheer!
Plough deep! Plough deep!

Ho! Yeoman! 'tis the harvest home!
Bring in the golden sheaves!
Come, every soul that dwells on earth
Gather your fruit from earth before you go!
Let all the Freedom with your shouts
A large reward repays my toil
Who filleth thine and thy children's garners to!
Plough deep! Plough deep!

Ho! Driver is the boundless field
Where men are toiling up to you!
Not priceless treasures toil and yield,
While yet the mold is just from
Turn up, turn up, with patient hand,
The deeper and the better yield!
And rejoice with the grooming wind
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Plough deep! Plough deep!

Ho! Brother in the old-time wrong
Ho! Laborer in the world's despair!
Come your task-hours with better song!
Toil for Freedom with your sweat!
Turn up, turn up, beneath the weeds,
The deeper and the better yield!
Till from your fallow premises hate
Is dust and rest long to weep!
Plough deep! Plough deep!

Ho! Worker in the world's domain!
Ho! Toiler in our mighty age!
Ho! Thinker in the world's unrest!
Ye who have wrought with head and hand
To whatsoever ends they tend to progress!
Turn up, turn up, with patient hand,
It waits to win the ripest seeds
They shall, in Heaven's own time, give back
To glorious and immortal deeds!
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*Liberal, Lewis and Gazetteer.*

# Selected Articles.

## A BRAVE RESISTANCE.

"There is little danger after all, to be apprehended from rotten fence if a man's nerve and resolution desert him and at the worst. Even if the attacks the odds are infinitely against the assailants. The attempt is usually made in the dead of night; a rubber party or some such easily organized to exercise their offices jollily, and two men stout of purpose and resolute and plentifully supplied with ammunition, are, in my opinion, a fair match for a dozen outside the fence.

"Calm and steady courage does wonders certainly, and even when completely at one's mercy a cool man will rarely be left without some means of defence. The Scotch proverb is 'a true saw 'a gleg (ready) hand never wanted weapon.'

"There was never a better illustration of that truth, than the heroic resistance offered by an aged gentleman in the South of Ireland to a band of ruffians under the most discouraging circumstances.

"Several years ago, when the South of Ireland was, as it has ever been within the memory of the oldest inhabitant, in a state of disorder, a gentleman advanced in years lived in a retired country house. He was a bachelor, and his sister tending to his personal popularity, or magnifying that the general alarm among the gentry was groundless, he maintained his habit to reside no longer than his neighbors had quitted their for a safer residence in town. He had been to dispond for several days, and on the night he was attacked, had taken supper in his bedroom, which was on the ground floor, and lighted a parlor, with which it communicated. The servants went to bed; the house was shut up for the night, and the supper tray, with its appurtenances, by a Providential oversight, were for gotten in the old master's room.

"Some hours after he had retired to bed, he was alarmed at hearing a window lifted in the outer apartment; his chamber-door was ajar, and the moon shone brilliantly through the open casement, rendering objects in the parlor for distinct and perceptible to any person in the inner room. Presently a man stepped through the window, and three others followed him in quick succession. The old gentleman sprung from his bed, but considering there were no arms in the apartment; recollecting, however, the draperies supper tray, he provided himself with a case-knife, and resolutely took his stand behind the open door. He had one advantage over the intruders, they were in full moonlight, and he shrouded in impenetrable dark ness.

"A momentary hesitation took place among the party, who seemed undecided as to which of them should enter the dark room, for, acquainted with the localities of the house, they knew well where the deveted was kept. At last one of the villains cautiously approached, stood for a moment in the door-way, hesitated, advanced a step—not a whisper was heard, a breathless silence reigned around, and the apartment before him was dark as the grave itself. 'Go on, blast ye! What the devil are ye afeerd of?' said the rough voice of an associate behind; he took a second step, and the old man's knife was buried to his heart! No second blow was required, for with a deep groan he rolled a corpse at their feet.

"The obscurity of the chamber, the sudden destruction caused by that deadly threat, prevented the ruffians in the outer room from knowing the fate of their companion. The survivor pressed himself, crossed the threshold, stumbled against the dead man, and received from the old man's knife in his bosom. The wound, though mortal was not so quick as the last, and the ruffian had strength to ejaculate that he was a dead man!

"Instantly several shots were fired, but the old gentleman's position sheltered him from the bullets. A third assassin advanced, and with a deep fowling-piece through the door-way, and accurately rested the barrel against the old man's body His firearm, however, was a double one, and with admirable self-possession, he remained steady until the moment arrived for the trigger, and the ball passed him without injury; but the flash from the gun unfortunately discharged the piece of his assistant. They commenced a desperate struggle—the robber, a powerful and athletic ruffian, cursed and called his victim accursed the body—there was no equality between them—the contest was short and deadly, and although the old man struck often and fearfully with his knife, the blows were ineffectual, and he was overpowered by the strength of the murderer above him. Even then, at the moment, his presence of mind saved the life of the gentleman. He found that the blade of the knife had turned, and he contrived to straighten it upon the floor. The ruffian's throat was cut already upon his throat—the pressure became suffocating—a few moments more and the contest must have ended; but an accidental movement of his body exposed to the moonlight, and the old man struck with his remaining strength a deadly blow—the robber's grasp relaxed—and with a yell of mortal agony, he rolled across with his exhausted antagonist!

"Horror struck by the death shriek of their comrades, the bandits wanted courage to enter that gloomy chamber which had been already fatal to so many of them, and fled across the valley in, and leaping through the open window, ran off, leaving their fallen companions be hind them."

"Lighted bed sentence very promptly—the chamber was a pond of gore, and the old man, mostly in a state of insensibility, was conveyed to his bed, and surrounded by the whole household bodies of his intended murderers. He recovered, however, to enjoy for many years his self-possession, and to receive from the Irish Viceroy the honor of Knighthood, which never was conferred upon a braver man."

SCHOLAR FAST.—MISS MITFORD, in her late book of literary reminiscences, gives this anecdote:—'now to the English prelate," and not altogether flattering, we may add, to the American, not having fallen in our field of observation, of the honors of a popular poet. "Professor Longfellow's residence at Cambridge," says she—"a picturesque, old wooden house, has belonging to it the proudest historical association of which America can boast: it was the head-quarters of Washington. One aged poet chanced to take a look out of his window, and saw by the vague starlight, a figure, dressed in a military cloak, with all were present. Slowly he passed before the house, and then returned, and then again passed by, after which neither horse nor rider was seen or heard of. Could it really be Washington? or was it some frolic-manœuvrer summoning his honored form? For my part I hold firmly to the ghastly side of the story, as did my informant, also a poet and an American, and ot worthy to behold the spectre of Washington as Professor Longfellow himself.—*New York Literary World.*

# Wit and Humor.

## THE PRESIDENTIAL QUESTION.

FROM THE CARPET-BAG.

PROPOSITION.—Of Succession.—We notice that the politicians at Washington are very busy, and the papers are very busy with them. We see the organ of Judge Stebbings, we have our eye upon that paper every day, and we think it is the most reliable paper in the country. We read more than all the rest. Gen. Cass, Gen. Scott, Gen. Pierce, Gen. Taylor—Gen. Gen. may be the right word, but we don't think so. But they will rush nothing with the people; so long as the Carpet-Bag is in the field. This Presidential question is not going to be settled by the organized interests or by political caucus. Let the sentiment explode over—sprung from the people—and then we shall see the election of Harrison and Tyler, and take warning. How was the election of Jackson? Did Congress elect him? Did the politicians prefer him? No. He was the people's choice, and all efforts to modify the popular sentiment with many eloquent and learned speeches, by the people, in spite of political clogue, he is the man, and nothing else. Stebbings is not one of this class. He trusts the people. He has confidence in the intelligence of the million! He is not going to be the tool of the designing political lawyers or to